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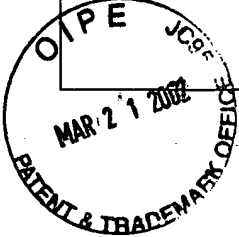
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The documents numbered 2-5 listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were cited in the Search Report mailed on February 11, 2002 (copies attached) directed to a related international application. Please note the cited PCT publication No. WO 00/16804, as well as the cited article "Immunostimulatory DNA sequences function as T helper-1-promoting adjuvant," by Mark Roman et al. were not included on the form 1449 as they were both cited in a previous Information Disclosure Statement submitted on November 13, 2001 for the present application.

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